

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace paragraph [0003] with the following amended paragraph:

[0003] DE ~~490~~ 196 38 290 C2 proposes a vibration damping device for absorbing rotational and bending vibrations in a rotatable driveshaft. The vibration damping device comprises an annular-cylindrical mass member to which there is attached a plurality of uniformly circumferentially distributed, radially inwardly extending elastic supporting elements which extend axially parallel relative to one another. By means of the supporting elements, the rotation vibration damping device can be slid on to a driveshaft, wherein the supporting elements are subject to a radial compressive stress and hold the mass member concentrically relative to the driveshaft. The vibration damping device is not securely fixed on the driveshaft, neither axially nor in the direction of rotation.